

Welcome to RED CANYON VISITOR CENTER

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You Are Standing at the Gateway Into Red Canyon

A great starting place for a day full of adventure and spectacular scenery, this planning center provides information about recreation, safety, and the history of “red rock country,” the Colorado Plateau, and Scenic Byway 12.

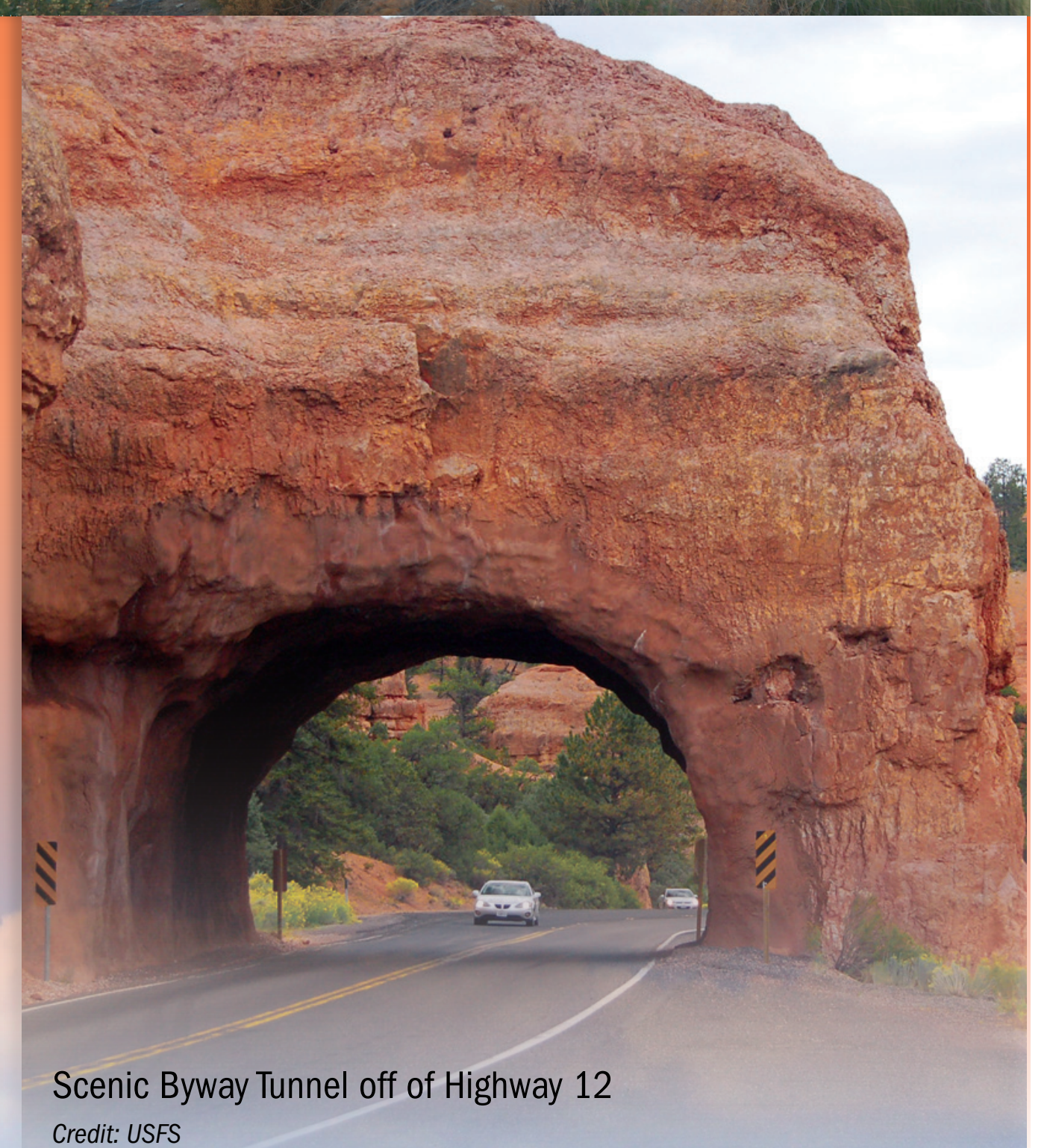
Layers of time—millions of years—are showcased in the geology of Red Canyon. The land tells stories of shallow seas, drifting sand dunes, river-carved canyons, and volcanic upheaval. Layers of limestone, siltstone, sandstone, and shale color this country in reds, oranges, purples and grays. Stark lava beds add black accents to the landscape.

From high plateaus to desert canyons, the distinct topographies and climate also support biodiversity—including seven species of plants found nowhere else in the world.

The Red Canyon Visitor Center is open seasonally from dawn to dusk. Exhibits feature the history and geology of the area. Visitors may choose from a wonderful selection of guidebooks and interpretive resources at the store.

Please take a moment to review safety recommendations and commit to *Leave No Trace* principles so you can tread lightly and preserve this land for future generations of visitors.

For additional information, contact the Powell Ranger District, Dixie National Forest 225 E. Center St., P.O. Box 80 Panguitch, Utah 84759-0080 (435) 676-9300.



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